

B-of-A Student Competition Winners

Winners in the Torrance area for the first round of the Bank of America's state-wide achievement awards programs for high school seniors were announced this week.

For outstanding scholarship and promise of future service to society, all will receive certificates of achievement and some will get additional honors and a chance at the \$34,500 in cash awards the bank will

present to Southern California students.

Awards cover practically all high school subjects including vocational arts, liberal arts, fine arts, science and math.

TROPHY WINNERS

Torrance winners of engraved trophy awards were: Judith Arden Meadows, 20809 Madrona, science and math; Kimiye Rosemary Takeuchi, 2076 236th St.; liberal arts; Sandra Lee Perucca, 2256 W. 238th St., vo-

catinal arts; Warren Davis Cross, 5029 Macafee Road, liberal arts; Marilyn Marie Flynn, 24464 Park St., Vocational arts; Wandell McCovey, 18914 Cranbrook Ave., science and math; Linea Hileman, 17026 Yukon Ave., fine arts; Betty Jo Reading, 4011 W. 175th St., liberal arts; Donna Verne, 18004 Prairie Ave., vocational arts; and Anne Marie Eager, 21129 Dalton, vocational arts.

Winners of certificates in

specific fields, by schools, were:

CERTIFICATES

BISHOP MONTGOMERY HIGH—Forest Hunt, Lawrence Monahan and Anne Marie Eager.

NORTH HIGH—Jay Lippman, Wandell McCovey, Linea Hileman, Carolyn Sexton, Betty Jo Reading, Tene Jo Ainsworth, Jean Knoblauch, Donna Verne, Janet Ruckle and John Shilling.

SOUTH HIGH—Jerry Dean Michaelson, Carl Jor-

dan, Warren Davis Cross, Elena Granville Whittington, Marilyn Marie Flynn and Patricia Reynolds Rossberry.

TORRANCE HIGH—John Michael Orr, Judith Arden Meadows, Mae Eloise Denton, Rosalie Phyllis Fountaine, Robert Paul Weister, Joanne Elizabeth Carr, Kimiye Rosemary Takeuchi, Sandra Lee Perucca, Linda Lora Eldridge and Howard Leslie Taylor. Winners of awards at

Narbonne High were: Harold L. Kuadres, Lee Neidengard, Philip R. Osterlind, Linda Cooper, Ellen J. Vandayburg, Joan Ford, Lynne A. Carmichael, Trudy H. Traunfelder, June T. Parris and Paul Kelley.

More than 2500 Southern California students will receive certificates; 800 will get engraved trophies, and 252 will win cash awards. There will be 12 awards of \$1,000, and others ranging down to a large group of

\$25 awards.

ZONE CONTESTS

Most of the 800 trophy winners will go to the zone competitions to compete against other schools in this area in April, appearing before a judging panel of civic leaders who will listen to them in group discussions of subjects related to their studies. The judges add their scores to the students' scholarship and activity records and name the winners.

In the zone competition,

all third place winners will receive \$25 cash awards; second place winners, \$50, and all first place winners will go on to the finals in May, where they will receive not less than \$150 and may win up to \$1,000.

To operate such a large program, the bank divides the state into six geographical divisions, with identical awards in each division. The statewide total in cash awards will set a new high mark this year—\$69,000 in all.

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Police Search for Suspect In Kidnap-Beating of PV Woman



BATTERED PLAYGROUND—A routine accident early Friday morning could have been disastrous, police reported, after one of the vehicles ploughed through two backyard fences and came to rest in a mangled pile of playground equipment. A passenger in the car, Faith Fingerson, 27, was treated for

minor injuries at Medical Group. Driver Wilfred W. Fingerson, 30, of 4122 W. 179th St., was uninjured. Neither Fingerson or Katherine H. Polson, 43, of 4312 W. 178th, driver of the second car, were cited.

Former Member Of Congress Is Legion Speaker

"Torrance will win it!" With these words Commander Stan Heiman started the wheels rolling on an intensive program of patriotism that is designed to bring the California State Legion Americanism award to the Torrance post.

Americanism chairman Newt Mathis stated that the first phase of the program will take place next Thursday at the post hall, 1109 Border Ave.

Beginning at 8 p.m. the group will hear an address by the former Michigan congressman Kit Clardy who served on the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

Following Clardy's address the film, "Operation Abolition" will be shown.

A second guest will be James Law, former news analyst and considered one of the best informed anti-communist speakers in the ranks of the American Legion.

Public is urged to attend and a special invitation is being extended to all of the college students in the South Bay area.

Torrance Leads Way in Fight for PV College Site

Seven cities and 10 organizations in the South Bay area have voted to back the Palos Verdes Peninsula as a site for South Bay State College, a new school approved by the California state legislature in 1960.

Cities which have voiced their approval of the Peninsula as a college site are Torrance, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Lawndale and Manhattan Beach. Action is under consideration by the councils of El Segundo and Hawthorne, while Palos Verdes Estates and Inglewood are taking the matter under study.

Howard Seelye, general chairman of the citizens' committee, said that Albert Martin and Associates, architectural and engineering firm, has agreed to prepare detailed maps and charts, plus site studies, for use in making a presentation of the Peninsula sites to state officials.



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Makes Escape After Threat with Knife

Torrance police today are searching for a suspect who early Saturday morning kidnaped, threatened and brutally beat a 38-year old secretary.

The woman, who lives in Palos Verdes, told officers that she, escaped near the corner of Vermont and El Segundo after the suspect had driven her around for several hours.

She told investigating officers that she and her fiance had attended a party

Friday night where they met a second couple.

During the course of the evening they invited the second couple to spend the night at her house. When they left they split up, the woman leaving with the suspect, the suspect's wife going with her fiance, so that both would be able to find their way to the victim's home.

The woman reported that after they left the other two, the suspect refused to follow directions, drove her

to a deserted spot, drew a knife from his pocket, and forced her to disrobe.

After beating her with his fists and inflicting several minor cuts with the knife, the victim asserted, the suspect drove her around for several hours before she escaped.

The woman's fiance said that after he and the suspect's wife arrived at the victim's home he went to sleep on the couch. When he awakened the woman was gone.

Harbor Area Community Chest Leaders Lauded at Fifth Annual Awards Dinner

Volunteer leaders shared top billing honors at the fifth annual Harbor Area Community Chest awards meeting held Thursday night at the Plush Horse Restaurant.

More than 300 persons attended the annual affair to receive honors for their roles in the 1960 appeal.

Jim Becker, last year's campaign chairman, presented the Ira Kaye trophy

for 100 percent organization to Mrs. Robert Place of Rolling Hills. Mrs. Place also received the Jimmy Visceglia City Chairman trophy.

Becker presented the J. A. Robinson Residential Unit Chairman's trophy for the unit chairman with the highest percentage of quota to Mrs. E. D. Schneider of North Torrance. The Kilstofte trophy also went to a Torrance man, Dr. Rob-

ert Jackson, chairman of the advance gifts unit.

Residential unit awards were presented to Mrs. E. D. Schneider of North Torrance and Mrs. G. T. Derouin of Central Torrance districts.

Local firms awards for their support of Chest activities were: Commercial Credit Corp., Liteline, Inc., Bowl-O-Drome and Magnavox Company Research Labs.

APRIL 18 ELECTION ...

Torrance Attorney Announces Candidacy; Reports Platform For School Board Post

One of the aspiring candidates for election at the April 18 ballot for school board posts is Gordon Phillips, Torrance attorney, and opponent of existing board policies.

The candidate Friday released his platform for election to the post.

PLATFORM

Phillips will run on the platform of reinstating the Board as a representative elective body and to prevent the abdication of the responsibilities of the board to the administrators.

Increase communication from the Board to the public through better press cooperation and by making available all information to the public.

Academic freedom for teachers.

Adoption of the recommendations of the Citizens Advisory Commission report.

To prevent the passage or



GORDON C. PHILLIPS
... Board Candidate

serious consideration of any "gag" rule which will prevent any interested party from addressing the Board.

APPEAL RIGHTS

Right of appeal by teachers to the Board from ar-

bitrary decisions of administrators.

Complete elimination of classified, restricted or secret information regarding the administration, operation or philosophy of the district.

To properly define the role of the school as an academic institution.

To relieve teachers of non-teaching functions.

And, finally, to re-evaluate the report card grading system so that parents may know how much their child is learning.

VACATION TIME

All Torrance students and teachers will get a week's vacation for Easter next week, March 27-31.

Classes will resume again on Monday, April 3. This will be the last school holiday until Memorial Day, May 30. Classes end for the year on Friday, June 16.

Benstead Pool Open During Vacation Days

Benstead Plunge will be open during Spring vacation, it was announced Saturday by the Torrance Recreation Dept.

The pool at 3331 Torrance Blvd. will be open from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. each day starting Monday and from 1 until 4 p.m. on Sunday, April 2. Regular admission prices will be in effect.

Recreation Director Harry Van Bellehem said the opening is sort of a "wet run" for the summer season, when the pool will be open daily starting in mid-June.

GOOD RATINGS

Torrance school cafeterias all received ratings of good or better in a recent annual sanitation inspection by the Los Angeles County Health Department, according to a report received by the Board of Education.

Cafeterias are operated at the district's 34 elementary and high schools. Of the total, 26 received "excellent" ratings, while minor suggestions were made at the other plants.